



JUNE 2025 Report

Boardman Chamber of Commerce Upcoming Events and Presentations

- **4th of July:** Get ready for an exciting day of music, food, and community spirit at Boardman's 4th of July Celebration! This year's musical lineup features Scotty Wilson and Music Medicine, JuanAntonio Lomas, Colette Jones, and DJ Kora.

The parade will follow the original route down North Main Street. Food and artisan vendor registration forms, along with parade sign-ups, are now open—get your business or family involved today!

Activities include a mechanical bull, bouncy house, country breakfast, Fun Run, chili cook-off and ice cream contest, plus a full day of kickball tournament action. A wide variety of food vendors will keep you fueled for the festivities.

Join us for a fun-filled day at Marina Park, and don't miss the spectacular firework display at **10 p.m, sponsored by MCURD**. To enjoy choreographed music during the fireworks, download the **PyroCast app** and use **CODE: 6T7P**.

See you all soon!

- **BAM Fishing Trail at the Boardman Marina Park:** The Boardman Chamber of Commerce proudly supports BCDA's efforts in bringing the BAM Fishing Trail to Boardman, taking place July 25–27, 2025, and August 22–24, 2025, at Boardman Marina Park. The Chamber provides event promotion, local business outreach, and on-the-ground services while the event is underway. Through coordinated advertising, community engagement, and visitor support, we help ensure a successful and welcoming experience for all participants.
- **End of Summer Celebration:** Join us on **Friday, August 22, 2025**, at **Boardman Marina Park** for our annual End of Summer Celebration—a heartfelt tribute to the brave men and women of our local Fire Department and Police Department. This free, family-friendly event

features delicious food, fun activities for all ages, and ends with a spectacular fireworks show over the Columbia River, **sponsored by MCURD**.

Come celebrate our community and those who serve it!

- **Tropical Costa Rica with Collette Travel: Registration is now OPEN!!!** The next exciting adventure we're offering to the Boardman and the surrounding community members is here! Join us for an unforgettable journey to the stunning landscapes of Costa Rica, where you'll experience breathtaking ocean views and lush tropical scenery up close.

Reserve your spot by August 20, 2025 — this 10-day getaway departs on February 18, 2025.

This incredible travel package includes:

- 15 meals (9 breakfasts, 5 dinners, 1 lunch)
 - Round-trip air from Portland International Airport (PDX)
 - Motorcoach transportation from the Boardman Chamber of Commerce to PDX
 - Hotel accommodations and ground transfers throughout the trip.
- **Upcoming Chamber Hosted Events:**
 - Boardman 4th of July – July 4, 2025
 - BAM PNW Pro Am – July 25 to July 27, 2025 & August 22 to 24, 2025
 - End of Summer Celebration – August 22, 2025
 - 3rd Quarter Luncheon – September 17, 2025
 - Harvest Festival – October 4, 2025
 - Boardman Community Christmas Celebration – December 6, 2025
 - 4th Quarter Luncheon – December 17, 2025

Past Chamber Events Recaps

- **Chamber Talk with Torrie**
 - **26th Edition of Chamber Talk w/ Torrie feat. Chandler Schakk of HindSight VIP INC.** This Facebook live was very informative. Chandler explained what HindSight VIP INC does and made blockchain clear and how it can be a great asset to local businesses.
 - **27th Edition of Chamber Talk w/Torrie feat. Art Mathisen (CEO), & Jonathan Edwards (COO/CFO) from Good Shepherd Health Care System.** They went over what is in store for GSHCS and what they have planned for the 61 acres they purchased in Boardman, a very informative Facebook live.

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- **Chamber Champion Presentation Recap:**

On June 11, 2025, the Boardman Chamber of Commerce had the honor of presenting scooters and helmets to a group of exceptional students from Sam Boardman Elementary (SBE) and Windy River Elementary (WRE). These students were thoughtfully chosen by school staff for showing incredible growth in academics, social skills, and personal development throughout the school year.

The excitement on their faces was unforgettable, it was clear these kids had worked hard and earned every bit of recognition. Their resilience, positive attitude, and commitment to learning truly reflect the spirit we strive to support in our community.

We're proud to celebrate their achievements and hope these scooters serve as a fun reminder to keep moving forward—both in school and in life.

- **2nd Quarter Luncheon (Round Table Style)** Our 2nd Quarter Luncheon on **June 18** was a big success. A special thank you to Threemile Canyon Farms for sponsoring and presenting, and to Macario's for providing a delicious meal of enchiladas, rice, and beans. We had a great turnout and appreciated the engaging roundtable discussion where local businesses and organizations shared updates and upcoming plans. Congratulations to the lucky attendees who took home the beautiful floral centerpieces from La Guadalupana de Boardman. It was an afternoon filled with valuable connections, meaningful conversations, and strong community spirit.

The Boardman Chamber of Commerce remains committed to fostering a vibrant local economy, supporting our business community, and promoting the unique strengths of Boardman as a place to live, work, and visit.

The Chamber Board of Directors includes **President Janet Hersey, Vice President Mario Sepulveda, Secretary Shari Stokoe, Treasurer Mike Hughes, and Directors Anna Browne, Karen Shelton, Sheila Corpus, and Isavel Gonzalez.**

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Visit www.boardmanchamber.org or call our office at **541-481-3014** for further details.



Boardman Community Development Association

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BCDA Announces Continued Investment in Housing, Business, and Community Initiatives

The Boardman Community Development Association (BCDA) is pleased to reaffirm its commitment to supporting growth and quality of life in Boardman through strategic investments in recreation, education, beautification, and community infrastructure.

Housing Investment Continues in 2025

BCDA will continue its successful **Home Buyers Incentive Program** in 2025 with a renewed investment of **\$250,000** to help attract new residents to the community. To date, **\$90,000** in housing grants has been awarded this year, reflecting strong and steady interest — an encouraging sign of Boardman’s continued growth and appeal.

Small Business Development and Incubator Progress

Progress is now underway on the **\$1.5 million grant** awarded by the U.S. Small Business Administration for the construction of the **Boardman Business Opportunity Incubator**. This facility will provide affordable, dedicated space for small and medium-sized enterprises, with a special focus on supporting **women- and minority-owned businesses** as well as **low-income entrepreneurs**.

Expansion of Retail and Office Space

BCDA is actively exploring plans to develop **additional retail storefronts and executive office spaces** along Front Street to meet the growing demand for local retail and business operations in Boardman.

Beautification & Facility Improvements

As part of BCDA’s beautification efforts, a **new mural** is currently being painted by local artist **Michelle Hopper** at the **East end of the Boardman Car Wash**, bringing vibrant color and visual storytelling to the heart of the community.

BCDA is also working on significant upgrades to the **Field House**, including:

- **Replacing the turf**
- **Updating the lighting system**
- **Extending wood paneling to the ceiling** to better protect insulation and improve aesthetics

These enhancements will ensure the facility remains of a high-quality, safe, and welcoming space.

BAM Fishing Trail Brings Outdoor Fun and Economic Impact

BCDA is proud to sponsor the **BAM Fishing Trail**, taking place July 25-27, 2025, and August 22-24, 2025, at the Boardman Marina Park. This exciting outdoor event invites residents and visitors to meet professional fisherman, compete in the Pro/Am tournament, and support local businesses along the way. Events like the BAM Trail highlight the economic impact of tourism-based recreation and demonstrate how strategic community support can bring new activity and revenue to the area.

Working Toward a Thriving Boardman

BCDA remains committed to beautifying and increasing the livability of the Boardman community focusing on housing, commercial and retail development, and workforce training. The association collaborates with other organizations, municipalities, business leaders and residents to support progressive development in the community.

The BCDA Board of Directors includes, **President John Christy, Vice-President Lisa Mittelsdorf, Secretary/Treasurer Karen Pettigrew and board member Krista Price.**

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